

## EducationUSA Canada University Spotlight

### Boston University

Founded in 1839, [Boston University](#) is a private American research institution located in Boston, Massachusetts. [Ranked 41<sup>st</sup>](#) among national universities by U.S. News and World Report, Boston University is a large-sized U.S. institution that is well known in various fields of academics, and participates in over 20 NCAA Division I sports. The school boasts nearly [500 student groups](#) (including the Alpine Ski Club, and the Shakespeare Society), a diverse student body that incorporates students who come from more than 100 countries, and the surroundings/activities in the city of Boston,

“I think that it’s really important that Canadians do think about at least applying to American universities... It is certainly, totally easy to apply to the U.S. They are fully accepting of Canadian students. We have exact same funding, sometimes even better funding there,” says Shainen Davison who is from Ottawa, Ontario and currently working on his Ph.D. in physics at Boston University. [You can watch a video clip of Shainen sharing his experience and advice for other Canadians looking to study abroad in the U.S.](#)

**Location:**  
Boston, Massachusetts

**Founded in 1839**

**U.S. News Ranking:**  
41st in Nation

**Tier 1 Private  
Research University**





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## Boston University Academics

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With over 250 degree programs, Boston University has a diverse set of academic disciplines and the university is well known in various fields of study. Well-ranked programs include the [College of Engineering](#), [School of Business](#), [School of Medicine](#), [School of Law](#), and the [School of Education](#). [See more degree programs Boston University](#).

Notable Boston University alumni include civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. who graduated from Boston University with a Ph.D. in systematic theology in 1955. Notable faculty includes Pulitzer Prize winners and two Nobel Prize winners – [Boston University Facts and Figures](#).





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## Important Information for Canadian Students

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Visit [Boston University Financial Aid Assistance](#) (email: [finaid@bu.edu](mailto:finaid@bu.edu), tel: 617-353-2965) for detailed information related to obtaining funding for your studies at the university. Use the school's [loan calculator](#) to estimate your financial assistance from Boston University. Financial aid for graduate students will be specific to the graduate school being considered – [graduate student financial aid information](#). While international students do not qualify for need-based aid, they may qualify for [Trustee and Presidential Scholarships](#).

Those whose first language or primary language spoken at home is not English must take either the TOEFL or the IELTS. For most degree programs, a minimum TOEFL iBT score of 22 is required for writing, 23 for speaking, 21 for reading, and 18 for listening. Visit [application instructions for international students](#) for specific language requirements. Additional helpful information can be found at Boston University's [International Student and Scholars Office](#) (email: [isso@bu.edu](mailto:isso@bu.edu), tel: 617-353-3565).

Keep in mind important admissions dates and deadlines for [undergraduate](#) and [graduate](#) programs, as deadlines vary depending on your field of study. Learn more about [applying to Boston University as a Canadian student](#). You can also check out the [frequently asked questions](#) for general admissions related information and the [profiles of admitted students](#).

